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## about

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## languages

french/english

## programming

java, javascript  
matlab, python  
linux, git, c, c++  
latex, tensorflow  
azure, mongodb  
docker, gcs  
kubernetes  
aws, spark  
node, sql  
deltalake  
postgres  
trino

## standards

dicom, ihe, hl7  
jpeg 2000, jpip

## interests

medical imaging  
image compression  
machine learning  
image analysis  
infrastructure  
performance  
scalability  
rendering

## education

- 2011-2016 **Ph.D. in electrical engineering** École de technologie supérieure (ÉTS)  
improving medical image compression and transmission  
· develop a novel image quality metric adapted to diagnostic imaging  
· propose a novel jpeg 2000 bit allocation mechanism  
· improve streaming for large image series (ct, mr, tomo, etc.)  
· skills: research, compression, streaming, matlab, java, c++, itk/vtk
- 2009-2010 **M.Eng. in electrical engineering (incomplete†)** École de technologie supérieure (ÉTS)  
evaluation of the diagnostic quality of lossy compressed medical images  
· study medical image quality assessment and diagnostic losslessness  
· quantify the ct acquisition parameters that affect compressibility  
· skills: research, compression, matlab, java, c++, itk/vtk, cuda
- 2005-2009 **B.Eng. in electrical engineering** École de technologie supérieure (ÉTS)  
information technologies and telecommunication specialization

## experience

- 2023-present **Principal Data Platform Engineer** VIDA Diagnostics  
Imaging and clinical information datalake for ML and AI  
· lead the implementation of a cloud-based datalake for clinical data  
· contribute to the implementation of ETL pipelines  
· design and implement a data platform for machine learning  
· skills: aws, spark, python, kubernetes, deltalake, trino
- 2020-2023 **Principal Architect** Change Healthcare  
cloud-based PACS lead architect  
· lead a team of architects building the next generation of cloud PACS  
· oversee all application areas including frontend, backend and infrastructure  
· define and measure key performance indicators  
· implement POCs to support technology choices and orientations  
· implement production monitoring and observability infrastructure  
· lead production issue investigations as they arise  
· skills: node, kubernetes, gcp, chromium, dicom, high-availability
- 2018-2020 **Data Scientist** Change Healthcare  
FDA-approved pixel-based body-part classification for more relevant priors  
· work with academic and clinical partners to acquire anonymized data  
· design data ingestion and cleaning pipelines  
· implement 3d bounding box dicom labeling tool across frames of reference  
· design machine learning models  
· train and validate models with proper data sampling  
· skills: python, javascript, tensorflow, postgres, machine learning, k8s, gcp

† not a member of the OIQ

‡ fast-track phd admission

## experience (cont.)

2016-2018	<b>Software Developer</b> cloud-based diagnostic workstation with client-side MPR <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· design and implement a client-side multi-planar reconstruction renderer</li><li>· design and implement a 3d compression algorithm for fast streaming</li><li>· design and implement annotation tools such as length, cobb angle, etc</li><li>· write highly optimized code using the latest web technologies</li><li>· ensure support for ct, mr, pet, ultrasound, large tomosynthesis, etc</li><li>· skills: javascript, nosql, mongodb, python, node, webgl, rendering, docker, azure</li></ul>	nucleus.io
2016 (jun-dec)	<b>Postdoctoral Fellow</b> improve image-guided prostate cancer brachytherapy treatments <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· implement mr-ultrasound fusion and segmentation using machine learning</li><li>· study the impact of dual energy ct (dect) on current registration algorithms</li><li>· evaluate an experimental non-rigid mr-us fusion workflow in the operating room</li><li>· skills: python, tensorflow, machine learning, registration, segmentation</li></ul>	CHUM research centre
2009 (jan-sep)	<b>Software Developer</b> head-up display simulation for military flight simulators <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· implement c/c++ modules to stimulate and simulate avionic systems</li><li>· implement an opengl solution to simulate a fighter hud</li><li>· work with clients to address issues and achieve acceptance</li><li>· skills: c, c++, pascal, opengl, simulation</li></ul>	CAE inc.
2006-2008	<b>Research Assistant</b> implementation of a standard compliance validation tool for hl7v3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· implement a hl7v3 for validation prior to connectathon</li><li>· provide support for implementors</li><li>· skills: java, xml, xml schemas, xslt, soap, dicom, ihe, hl7</li></ul> implementation and evaluation of a medical image streaming framework <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· evaluate jpip for large image stacks and large image streaming</li><li>· skills: java, jpip, jpeg 2000</li></ul>	École de technologie supérieure (ÉTS)

## awards

2017	<b>NSERC postdoctoral fellowship (declined)</b>	90,000\$
2017	<b>FRQNT postdoctoral fellowship (declined)</b>	70,000\$
2016	<b>GRSTB postdoctoral fellowship</b>	18,000\$
2011	<b>NSERC doctoral Alexander-Graham-Bell scholarship</b>	105,000\$
2011	<b>ÉTS excellence graduate student scholarship</b>	60,000\$
2011	<b>FRQNT doctoral research scholarship (declined)</b>	60,000\$
2009	<b>FRQNT master's research scholarship</b>	30,000\$
2006	<b>NSERC undergraduate student research award</b>	4,500\$

## **publications**

### **patents**

- Efficient streaming for client-side medical rendering applications based on user interactions  
J.F. Pambrun  
US 20230036480, pending
- Selection of health care data storage policy based on historical data storage patterns and/or patient characteristics using an artificial intelligence engine  
Raffy P. , Pambrun J.F., Dubois D., Kumar A.  
US 11868613, Jan. 2024

### **articles in peer-reviewed journals**

- Deep Learning Body Region Classification of MRI and CT Examinations  
Raffy P. , Pambrun J.F., Kumar A., Dubois D., Patti J., Cairns R., Young R.  
Journal of Digital Imaging. Springer, 2023
- The utilization of MRI in the operating room  
Ménard C , Pambrun J-F, Kadoury S  
Brachytherapy. Elsevier, 2017
- Computed Tomography Image Compressibility and Limitations of Compression Ratio-Based Guidelines  
Pambrun J.F. , Noumeir R.  
Journal of Digital Imaging. Springer Science, 2015
- Teaching DICOM by Problem Solving.  
Noumeir R. , Pambrun J.F.  
Journal of Digital Imaging. Springer Science, 2012
- Using JPEG 2000 Interactive Protocol to Stream a Large Image or a Large Image Set  
Noumeir R. , Pambrun J.F.  
Journal of Digital Imaging. Springer Science, 2010

### **international peer-reviewed conferences/proceedings**

- Limitations of the SSIM quality metric in the context of diagnostic imaging  
Pambrun J.F. , Noumeir R.  
IEEE International Conference on Image Processing (ICIP), 2015
- Compressibility variations of JPEG2000 compressed computed tomography  
Pambrun J.F. , Noumeir R.  
IEEE International Conference of the Engineering in Medicine and Biology Society (EMBC), 2013
- Perceptual quantitative quality assessment of JPEG2000 compressed ct images with various slice thicknesses  
Pambrun J.F. , Noumeir R.  
IEEE International Conference on Multimedia and Expo, 2011
- Interoperability testing of integration profiles based on HL7 standard version 3  
Pambrun J.F. , Noumeir R.  
IEEE International Conference on Information Technology and Applications in Biomedicine, 2010
- Streaming of Medical Images Using JPEG 2000 Interactive Protocol  
Noumeir R. , Pambrun J.F.  
IEEE International Conference on Systems, Signals and Image Processing. 2010
- Images within the Electronic Health Record  
Noumeir R. , Pambrun J.F.  
IEEE International Conference on Image Processing. 2009